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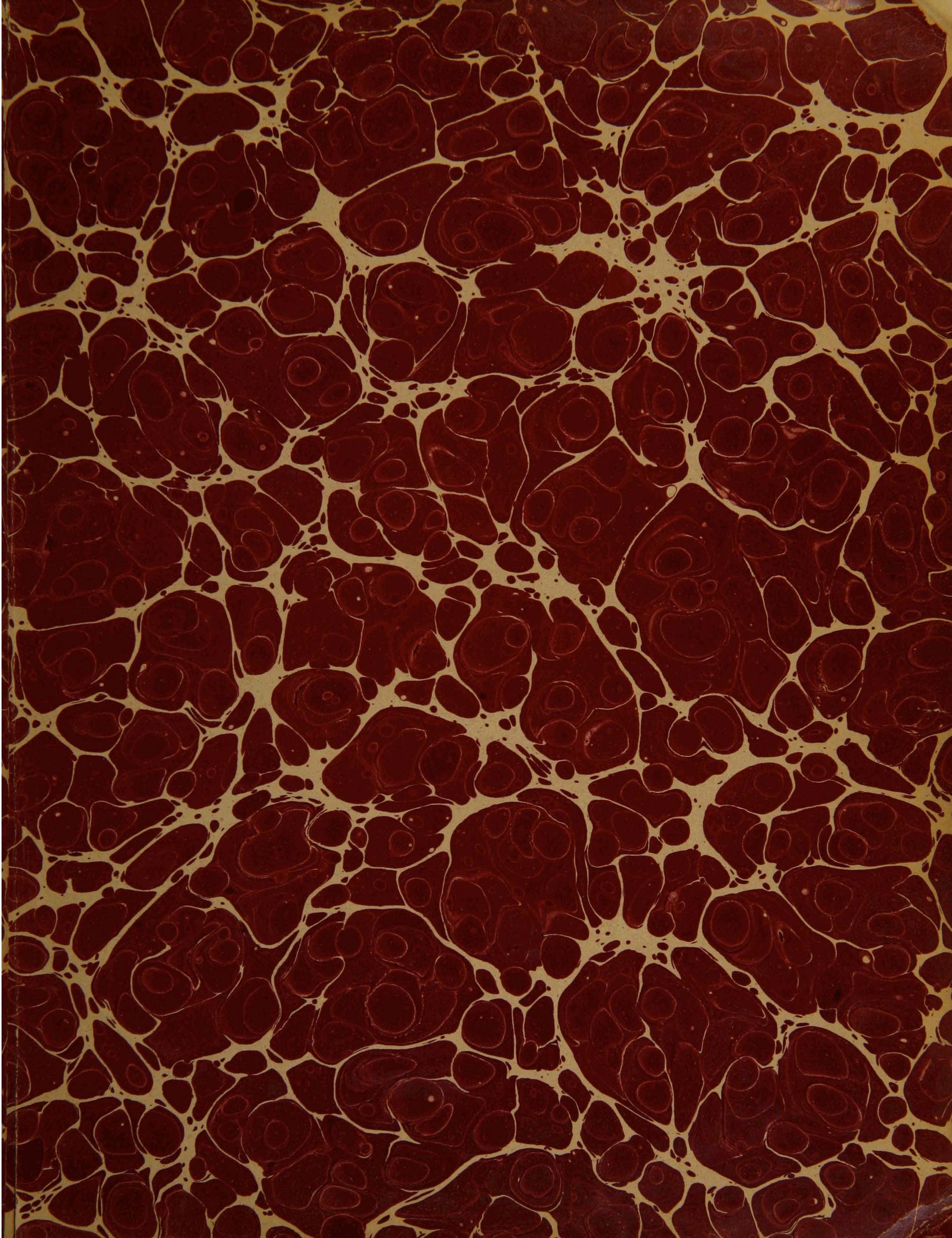




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## BIBLIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

May 29 and June 1.

Address to Canada.

46. Lettre / Addressée / Aux Habitans / Opprimés de la Province / de / Québec. / De la part du Congrès Général de l'Amérique Sep- / tentrionale, tenu à Philadelphie. / [Philadelphia: Fleury Mesplet. 1775.]

8°. pp. 7.

1,000 copies printed (with the addition of the resolve of June 1st), for distribution in Canada. See *Journals*, 29 May, 1775.

A copy is in the Library Company of Philadelphia.

As a curiosity may be noted an edition of Rousseau's "Du Contrat Social, ou Principes du Droit Politique," printed at Philadelphia, in 1775, "chez John Robert, Imprimeur du Congrès Général." I have not been able to trace any authority for the assumption of such a title.

June 12.

Resolve for a Fast-day.

47. In Congress, / Monday, June 12, 1775. / Philadelphia: Printed by William and Thomas Bradford. / [1775.]

F°. Broadside.

An imperfect copy (only one-half of the sheet) is in the Library of Congress, Papers of the Continental Congress, No. 23, folio 5.

48. In Congress, / Monday, June 12, 1775.

F°. Broadside.

June 12.

Address to Canada and Resolve for Fast-day.

49. In Congress, June 12, 1775 / [Philadelphia:] Printed by John Dunlap / [1775.]

F°. Broadside.

\* The English edition of the Address to Canada, with the resolve making July 20 a day of "Humiliation, Fasting, and Prayer." See Nos. 46 and 47.



June 30.

**Rules for Troops.**

50. Rules / and / Articles, / for the better / Government / of the / Troops / Raised, or to be raised, and kept in pay by and at / the joint Expence of the / Twelve united English Colonies / of / North-America. / Philadelphia: / Printed by William and Thomas Bradford, 1775. /

8°. pp. 16.

A copy is in the Library Company of Philadelphia.

In the Report of the Historical Manuscripts Commission, Fourteenth Report, Part X (Dartmouth Manuscripts), p. 322, mention is made of this issue, but seventeen pages are given to it.

51. Philadelphia, Printed: / New York. Reprinted by Hugh Gainé 1775.

8°. pp. 16.

July 6.

**Declaration to Army.**

52. A / Declaration / by the / Representatives / of the / United Colonies / of / North America, / now met in / General Congress / at Philadelphia, Seting [*sic*] forth the Causes and Necessity of their / taking up / Arms. / Philadelphia: / Printed by William and Thomas Bradford, 1775. /

8°. pp. (2), 13.

The committee appointed to prepare this Declaration, consisting of John Rutledge, William Livingston, Franklin, Jay, and Johnson, reported a draft on June 24, which, not being approved by the Congress, was recommitted, and Jefferson and Dickinson added to the Committee.

“On the 24th, a committee which had been appointed to prepare a declaration of the causes of taking up arms, brought in their report (drawn I believe by J. Rutledge) which not being liked, the House recommitted it, on the 26th, and added Mr. Dickinson and myself to the committee . . . . I prepared a draught of the declaration committed to us. It was too strong for Mr. Dickinson . . . . We therefore requested him to take the paper, and put it into a form he could approve. He did so, preparing an entire new statement, and preserving of the former only the last four paragraphs and half of the preceding one. We approved and reported it to Congress, who accepted it.” Jefferson’s “Autobiography.”—*Works*, I, 11.

Two drafts of this paper, in the writing of Thomas Jefferson, are in the Jefferson Manuscripts, in the Library of Congress.

The manuscript of this Declaration, in the writing of John Dickinson, is in the New York Historical Society. It was reproduced in facsimile in George H. Moore’s “*Suum Cuique*. John Dickinson the author of the Declaration on taking up arms in 1775. New York: Printed for the author. M DCCC XC.”

Copies are in the Library of Congress and the Library Company of Philadelphia.



53. [Reprinted for Richard W. Roche by J. Munsell. Albany: 1865].

4<sup>b</sup> & 8<sup>o</sup>. pp. (2), 13, covers.

A copy of the octavo issue, of which 50 copies were printed, is in the Library of Congress.

54. A / Declaration / by the / Representatives / of the / United Colonies / of / North America, / now met in / General Congress, / at / Philadelphia: / Setting forth the Causes and Necessity of their taking up / Arms. / Newport: Printed by S. Southwick, in / Queen Street, 1775.

12<sup>o</sup>. pp. 11.

A copy is in the Massachusetts Historical Society.

55. A / Declaration / By The / Representatives / Of The / United Colonies / Of / North-America, / Now Met In / General Congress / At / Philadelphia, / Setting forth the Causes and Necessity of their / taking up / Arms. / Philadelphia: Printed, / Watertown: / Re-Printed and Sold by Benjamin Edes. / 1775.

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 15.

Copies are in the Library of Congress and in the American Antiquarian Society, of Worcester, Mass.

**July 8.**

**Petition to the King.**

56. To the Inhabitants of the / Colony of / New York. / . . . . / Pierre Van Courtlandt, Chairman / Ján. 9, 1776.

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 7, 8.

The only separate edition of the second petition to the King I have been able to find. It was printed (with the addition of a preliminary address, the address of the Mayor of London "To the Electors" and a portion of Chatham's speech) by the New York Committee of Safety "to correct the assertion that the Continental Congress had made no advances." *Paul Leicester Ford.*

A copy is in the New York Historical Society.

**July 8.**

**Address to the People of England.**

57. The / Twelve United Colonies, / By their Delegates in / Congress. / To the Inhabitants of / Great Britain. / [Philadelphia: W. and T. Bradford. 1775.]

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 8.

The draft is said to have been written by Richard Henry Lee, and the manuscript was preserved for a number of years by the family; but its present location is not known.

A copy of the pamphlet is in the Library Company of Philadelphia.



58. The Twelve United Colonies, / by their / Delegates / in / Congress, / to the / Inhabitants / of / Great Britain. / Philadelphia: / Printed by William and Thomas Bradford. / M,DCC,LXXV. 8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 16.

59. An Address from the Delegates of the Twelve United Colonies, to the people of England. Newport: Printed by S. Southwick in Queen Street, 1775.

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 13.

Title from Hammett's "Bibliography of Newport."

**July 15.**

**Partial suspension of Association.**

60. [Whereas, the Government of Great Britain hath prohibited the exportation of Arms and Ammunition . . . . Resolved . . . . Philadelphia: Printed by W. and T. Bradford. 1775.]

Broadside.

A resolve allowing the exportation of produce to be exchanged for materials of war.

"Ordered, That a copy of the above be delivered to the Delegates of the Colony of Pennsylvania, who are desired to request the committee of this city to forward the same in handbills to the *West Indies*."—*Journal*.

**July 28.**

**Address to People Of Ireland.**

61. An / Address / of the / Twelve United Colonies / of / North-America, / By their Representatives / in / Congress, / To the People of / Ireland. / Philadelphia: / Printed by W. and T. Bradford. 1775.

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. (2), 10.

Copies are in the Library of Congress and the Library Company of Philadelphia.

62. . . . . Norwich: Printed by Robertson and Trumbull. 1775.

8<sup>o</sup>.

Title from *Sabin*, No. 35061.

63. . . . . New York. Reprinted 1775

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 10.

Title from Thomas, "History of Printing" (Haven's edition).

**July 31.**

**Observations on Lord North's Motion.**

64. The Several Assemblies of New-Jersey, / Pennsylvania and Virginia, having re- / ferred to the Congress a resolution of the



House of / Commons of Great Britain, which resolution / is in these words: / . . . . . [Philadelphia: W. and T. Bradford. 1775.]  
8°. pp. 8.

The draft, of this paper, in his own handwriting, is in the Jefferson MSS. in the Library of Congress.

**July-August:**

**Method of Making Salt-Petre.**

65. Several Methods / of Making / Salt-Petre; / recommended to the / Inhabitants / of the / United Colonies. / by their Representatives / In Congress. / Philadelphia: / Printed by W. and T. Bradford. 1775.  
8°. pp. 12.

This contains some resolutions of Congress of July 28, 1775, on saltpeter, which were not entered in the manuscript *Journal*, or printed in any of the editions of that record.

A copy is in the Library of Congress.

66. Several methods / of making / salt-petre; / recommended to the / inhabitants / of the / United Colonies. / By the Honorable / Continental Congress. / And / Re-published by Order of the / General Assembly / of the / Colony of Massachusetts-Bay. / Together with the resolve of said Assembly, / and An appendix, / By Doctor William Whiting. / Watertown: Printed and Sold by Benjamin Edes, near the Bridge, / 1775.

8°. pp. 20.

Copies are in the Boston Public Library and the Boston Athenæum.

**November 4.**

**Capitulation of Montreal.**

67. Articles / of / Capitulation, / Made and entered into between Richard / Montgomery, Esquire, Brigadier Ge- / neral of the Continental Army, and the Citi- / zens and Inhabitants of Montreal / . . . . . [Philadelphia:] Printed by John Dunlap. [1775.]  
F°. Broadside.

A copy is in the Library of Congress.

**November 7.**

**Rules for Troops.**

68. Rules / and / Articles, / for the better / Government / of the / Troops / Raised, or to be raised, and kept in pay by and at /



the joint Expence of the / Thirteen United English Colonies / of North America. / Philadelphia: / Printed by William and Thomas Bradford, 1775. /

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 16.

A revision of the Rules adopted June 30 (No. 50) with the additional ones adopted November 7, 1775.

A copy is in the Library Company of Philadelphia.

69. Rules / and / Articles, / for the Better / Government / of the R Troops / Raised, or to be raised, and kept in pay by and / at the joint Expence of the / Twelve united English Colonies / of North America. / Philadelphia, Printed: / New-York, Re-printed and sold by H. Gaine, / at the Bible and Crown, in Hanover-Square, / M,DCC,LXXV. /

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 16.

A copy is in the New York Historical Society.

70. Rules and Articles, for the better Government of the Troops Raised, or to be raised and kept in pay by and at the joint Expence of the Twelve United English Colonies of North America. Water-town: Printed by B. Edes. 1775.

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 16.

A copy is in the American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass.

71. Réglement / Militaire / Concernant / La Police / et / La Discipline. / Que doivent observer les Troupes qui sont ou seront / dans la suite levées & payées par les Treize / Colonies Unies de l'Amerique Septentrionale / Traduit de l'Anglaise, Par F. Daymon. / A Philadelphie; / Chez Fleury Mesplet & Ch. Berger, / Imprimeurs & Libraires. / M,DCC,LXXVI.

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 39.

“Resolved, That the articles of war be translated into French, and 500 copies sent to Canada” . . . . .

“To Francis Daymon, for translating into French the rules and articles for the better regulating the Continental troops, the sum of 15½ dollars: To Mons. Mesplet, for printing the military rules, and French letters to the inhabitants of Canada, the sum of 44 dollars.”—*Journal*.

**November, 24.**

**Intercepted Letters, etc.**

72. Extract of a Letter from General Montgo- / mery, dated Camp before St. John's, October 20, 1775 / . . . . . / Articles proposed for his Majesty's / Garrison at Chambly / . . . . . / An Account of Stores taken at Chambly. / . . . . . / A List of Officers taken at



Chambly. / . . . . / Extract of a Letter from Gen. Montgomery, dated / Camp near St. John's, Nov. 3. 1775. / . . . . Articles of Capitulation, proposed by Major Charles / Preston for his Majesty's Fort of St-John's, in / the Province of Canada. / . . . . / Extracts of several Letters brought by Capt. / Robbins, in the schooner Two Sisters, lately seized by / an armed vessel in the service of the United Colonies. / Published by Order of Congress. / . . . . [Philadelphia: W. & T. Bradford. 1775.]

F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

“The Committee to whom the Intercepted Letters were referred brought in their Report; which being read and agreed to,

*Resolved*, That it be recommitted to the said Committee, and that they have the extracts agreed to published, together with an authentic account of the capture of Chambly and St. John's, and to have one thousand copies struck off, to go with the despatches.”—*Journal*.

A copy is in the Library of Congress.

**November 28.**

**Rules for Navy.**

73. [Rules, for the Regulation of the Navy of the United Colonies. Philadelphia: W. and T. Bradford. 1775?]

I have been unable to find a copy.

**December 6.**

**Declaration.**

74. In Congress, / December 6, 1775.\* / [Philadelphia:] Printed by John Dunlap. [1775.]

F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

A declaration by the Congress in answer to the King of Great Britain's proclamation of August 23, 1775.

A copy is in the Library of Congress.

75. In Congress, / December 6, 1775.

Another edition, without imprint, and in three columns in place of two as in No. 74. A fragment is in the Library of Congress.

76. Extracts / from the / Proceedings of the American Continental / Congress, / Held at Philadelphia, on the Tenth Day of May, 1775. / Containing, An Address to the People of Ireland, an Address to the Lord-Mayor of London, and the Opinion of Congress on the boasted conciliatory Plan offered by Administration in Parliament, February / 20, 1775. / Providence / Printed by John Carter, at Shakespear's Head [1775.]

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 22.



77. A / Declaration / by the / Representatives of the United / Colonies of North-America, / Now met in General Congress at / Philadelphia; / Setting forth the Causes and Necessity / of their taking up Arms. / Also, / An Address / from the / Twelve United Colonies, / By their Delegates in Congress, to the / Inhabitants of Great-Britain. / Philadelphia, printed by Wm. and Tho. Bradford, / and Bristol reprinted by W. Pine, 1775. / [Price Two-Pence.]

16°. pp. 16.

A copy is in the Library of Congress.

78. The / Declaration / by the / Representatives / of the / United Colonies of North America, / now met in / General Congress at Philadelphia, / Setting forth the / Causes and Necessity of taking up Arms. / The / Letter of the Twelve United Colonies / by their Delegates in Congress to the Inhabi- / tants of Great Britain, / Their Humble Petition to his Majesty, / and / Their Address to the People of Ireland. / Collected together for the Use of *Serious Thinking Men*, / By Lovers of Peace. / Read with Candour: Judge with Impartiality. / London: / Printed in the Year, MDCCLXXV.

8°. pp. vi, 32.

In addition to what is enumerated it also contains a prefatory note, "To the Public," and a "Prefatory Address from the London Association."

A copy is in the Library of Congress.

79. An die / Einwohner von Irland, / von / den Abgeordneten der Vereinigten Colonien / Newhampshire, Massachusetts-Bay, Rhode- / Eyland und Provinzen, Connecticut, Neu- / york, Neu-Jersey, Pennsylvanien, der / Niedern Grafschaften an der Delaware, / Maryland, Virginien, Nord- und Sud- / Carolina, im General-Congreß zu Phila- / phia, den 16ten May, 1775. / Nebst der / Meinung des General-Congressses / betreffend / Einen Entschluß; des Hauses der Ge- / meinen von Großbritannien, / vom 20sten Februar, 1775. / Philadelphia, / gedruckt und zu bekommen bey Heinrich Miller, in / der Nees-straße, 1775.

16°. pp. 16.

**Journal. May to July.**

80. Journal / of the / Proceedings / of the / Congress, / held at / Philadelphia, / May 10, 1775. / [Cut.] / Philadelphia: / Printed and Sold, by William and Thomas / Bradford, at the London Coffee-House. / M,DCC,LXXV.

8°. pp. (4), iv, 239.

Publication was announced in the *Pennsylvania Packet*, 11 December, 1775.



81. Journal / of the / Proceedings / of the / Congress, / held  
at / Philadelphia, / May 10, 1775. / Wilmington, / Printed by James  
Adams, in High-street, 1776.

8° pp. 10.

A copy is in the Library of Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

82. Journal / of the / Proceedings / of the / Congress, / held  
at / Philadelphia, / May 10, 1775. / Published by Order of the Con-  
gress. / Philadelphia: Printed; / London: Reprinted for J. Almon,  
opposite / Burlington-House in Piccadilly, 1776.

8° pp. (4), 210, (8).

A copy is in the Library of Congress.

As pp. 159-168 are repeated in the numbering, the proper paging should be  
(4), 220, (8).

83. Extracts / from the / Votes and Proceedings / of the / Amer-  
ican / Continental Congress, / held / At Philadelphia, 10th May,  
1775. / Published by Order of Congress. / New-York: / Printed  
and Sold by John Anderson, / at Beekman's-Slip. / M,DCC,LXXV.

8° pp. (2), 192.

Though this is called "Extracts," it is really the entire Journal.

Journal. September to December.

84. Journal / of the Congress, / of the / United States / of /  
America; / Continued. / Philadelphia: / Printed and Sold, by Wil-  
liam and Thomas / Bradford, at the Coffee-House. / M,DCC, LXXVI.

8° pp. (4), 218.

A copy is in the Pennsylvania Historical Society.

Journal. 1774-1775.

85. Journals / of / Congress. / Containing the / Proceedings  
from Sept. 5, 1774, to Jan. 1, 1776. Published by order of Con-  
gress. / Volume I. / Philadelphia: / Printed and sold by R. Aitken,  
Bookseller, Front-street. / M, DCC, LXXVII.

8° pp. (2), 310, (12).

This is the first volume of the official edition, issued at the end of each year.  
I shall give each volume under the year at which the proceedings end, as they  
were practically separate works, but I shall also give a title and collation of the  
whole series, together with those of the reprints of 1800 and 1823, in the collected  
works, at the end of this list.



**Members of the Congress.**

86. A List of the Delegates who attended the Congress, / held at Philadelphia, May 10, 1775. [Philadelphia: 1775.]

8°. Broadside.

A copy is in the New York Public Library.

**Rates of Postage of Continental Post-Office.**

87. Tables / Of the Port of all Single Letters carried by Post in the Northern District of North America, / As Established by Congress, / One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-five. / . . . . / [Signed] B. Franklin, / Post Master General. / [Philadelphia: 1775?]

F°. Broadside.

A copy is in the Library of Congress.

**Directions for keeping Post-Office Accounts.**

88. Directions to the Deputy Post-Masters, for keeping their accounts . . . . [signed] B. Franklin.

F°. Broadside.

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January 2.

Resolutions on Tories. .

89. The / Tory Act / Published by Order of the Continental Congress, Philadelphia, Jan. 2, 1776. [New York or Philadelphia: 1776.] F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

A copy is in the Library of Congress. It measures 35½ x 22½ cms.

January 24.

Address to Canada.

90. Aux / Habitants / De la Province du Canada. / [Philadelphia:] Chez Fleury Mesplet & Charles Berger [1776]. F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

The English original is printed in Force's Archives, 4, iv, 1653.

91. Aux Habitants / De la Province du Canada. [Philadelphia: Mesplet & Berger. 1776.] F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

A copy is in the Library of Congress, in the *Papers of the Continental Congress*, No. 42, III, folio 459. It measures 32 x 19½ cms.

February 19.

Oration on Montgomery.

92. An / Oration / in Memory of / General Montgomery, / and of the / Officers and Soldiers, / Who Fell with Him, December 31, 1775, / before / Quebec; / Drawn up (and Delivered February 19th, 1776.) / At the Desire of the / Honorable Continental Congress. / By William Smith, D. D. / Provost of the College and Academy / Of Philadelphia. / . . . / Philadelphia: / Printed by John Dunlap, in Market-Street. / M,DCC,LXXVI. / 8<sup>o</sup>. pp. (4), 44.

"The oration was an insolent performance. A Motion was made to thank the orator, and ask a copy, but opposed with great spirit and vivacity from every part of the room, and at last withdrawn, lest it should be rejected, as it certainly would have been, with indignation. The orator then printed it himself, after leaving out or altering some offensive passages." *Familiar Letters of John Adams*.



93. An / Oration / In Memory of / General Montgomery, / and of the / Officers and Soldiers, / Who Fell with Him, December 31, 1775, / before / Quebec; / Drawn up (and Delivered February 19, 1776.) / At the Desire of the / Honorable Continental Congress. / By William Smith, D. D. / Provost of the College and Academy / Of Philadelphia. / . . . . / Philadelphia, Printed; / New York: Reprinted by John Anderson, the / Corner of Beekman's Slip, / 1776.  
8<sup>o</sup> pp. 36.

94. An / Oration / In Memory of / General Montgomery, / and of the / Officers and Soldiers, / Who Fell with Him, December 31, 1775, / before / Quebec; / Drawn up (and Delivered February 19, 1776.) / At the Desire of the / Honorable Continental Congress. / By William Smith, D. D. / Provost of the College and Academy / Of Philadelphia. / . . . . / Philadelphia, Printed; / London, / Reprinted for J. Almon. . . . . MDCCLXXVI.  
8<sup>o</sup> pp. iv, 36.

95. An / Oration / In Memory of / General Montgomery, / and of the / Officers and Soldiers, / Who Fell with Him, December 31, 1775, / before / Quebec; / Drawn up (and Delivered February 19, 1776.) / At the Desire of the / Honorable Continental Congress. / By William Smith, D. D. / Provost of the College and Academy / Of Philadelphia. / . . . . / Philadelphia, Printed: / Newcastle, Reprinted by T. Robson and Co. And sold at their Printing-Office.  
8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 35.

96. An / Oration / In Memory of / General Montgomery, / and of the / Officers and Soldiers, / Who Fell with Him, December 31, 1775, / Before / Quebec; / Drawn up (and Delivered February 19, 1776.) / At the Desire of the / Honorable Continental Congress. / By William Smith, D. D. / Provost of the College and Academy / Of Philadelphia. / . . . . / Philadelphia, Printed: / Newport: Reprinted by Solomon Southwick. / M,DCC, LXXVI. /  
8<sup>o</sup>. pp. (2), 30.

97. An / Oration / In Memory of / General Montgomery, / and of the Officers and Soldiers, / Who Fell with Him, December 31, 1775, / before / Quebec; / Drawn up (and Delivered February 19, 1776.) / At the Desire of the / Honorable Continental Congress. / By William Smith, D. D. / Provost of the College and Academy / Of Philadelphia. / . . . . / Norwich, Conn.: John Trumbull. 1776.  
8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 22 [1]



**March 16.****Proclamation for a fast.**

98. In Congress, / Saturday, March 16, 1776. / Philadelphia:  
Printed by John Dunlap. [1776.] F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

Prepared and introduced, with the permission of Congress, by William Livingston.

99. In Congress, / Saturday, March 16, 1776. / New-London:  
Printed by Timothy Green, Printer to the Governor and Company of  
the Colony of Connecticut. [1776.] F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

It measures 49 x 36½ cms.

100. A Proclamation for a Continental Fast. / In Congress, Satur-  
day, March 16, 1776. / [Boston: 1776?] F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

**March 23.****Resolutions concerning privateers.**

101. In Congress, / March 23, 1776. / Philadelphia: Printed by  
John Dunlap. [1776.] F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

A copy is in the Library of Congress, Letters to Washington, 90, folio 77. It  
measures 32 x 20 cms.

**March 27.****Sermon on Ward.**

102. Death, the last Enemy, destroyed by Christ. / A Sermon, /  
Preached, March 27, 1776, / before / The Honorable / Continental  
Congress; / on the Death of / The Honorable / Samuel Ward, Esq. /  
one of the / Delegates from the Colony / of Rhode Island, / who  
died of the Small-Pox, in this city, / (Philadelphia) / March 26,  
Æt. 52. / Published at the desire of many who heard it. / By Samuel  
Stillman, M. A. / Philadelphia: / Printed by Joseph Crukshank, in  
Market-street. / MDCCLXXVI. 8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 28.

**April 3.****Instructions for Letters of Marque.**

103. In Congress, / Wednesday, April 3, 1776. / Instructions to the  
Commanders of Private Ships or Vessels of War, which shall / have  
Commissions or Letters of Marque and Reprisal, authorising them to  
make captures of British Vessels / and Cargoes. F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

A copy is in the Library of Congress, signed by Samuel Huntington, President.  
It was delivered March 21, 1780 to Samuel Wardwell, with his commission as  
commander of the sloop George, a private vessel of war. It measures 35 x 22 cms.

It is probable that other issues of these Resolutions were made as occasion  
called for them. The following number is an example.



104. In Congress, / Wednesday, April 3, 1776. / Instructions to the Commanders of Private Ships or Vessels / of War, which shall have Commissions or Letters of Marque and Reprisal, authorising them to make captures of British Vessels and Cargoes. / F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

A copy is in the New York Public Library, Emmet 1240. It is signed by Henry Laurens, as President.

April 3.

**Bonds from Letters of Marque.**

105. In Congress, / April 3, 1776. / Resolved, That every Person intending to set forth / and fit out a Private Ship or Vessel of War, and applying / for a Commission or Letters of Marque and Reprisal for that / Purpose [shall give bond] . . . / which shall be lodged with the said Secretary of Congress. F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

A copy is in the New York Public Library, Emmet, 517. It is signed by John Hancock as President.

May 15.

**Resolution concerning state governments.**

106. In Congress / May 15, 1776. / Philadelphia: Printed by John Dunlap. [1776.] F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

The resolve of May 10, with the preamble, drafted by John Adams, John Rutledge, and R. H. Lee, adopted May 15. The Resolve was written by John Adams.

107. In Congress, / May 15, 1776. [Philadelphia(?): 1777] F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

Has appended a letter "To the Inhabitants of Vermont, a Free and Independent State, bounding on the River Connecticut and Lake Champlain," dated Philadelphia, April 11, 1777, and signed Thomas Young. Also a communication signed "A word to the wise is sufficient," dated April 12, 1777. A copy is in the Papers of the Continental Congress, No. 78, II, folio 159. It measures 39 x 24 cms. In Paul Leicester Ford's *Bibliography* the place and printers are conjectured to be Dresden: Judah Padock and Alden Spooner.

May 21.

**Regulations Concerning Prisoners.**

108. In Congress, / May 21, 1776. / Resolved, / That all persons taken in arms on board any prize, be deemed prisoners, to be taken care of by the supreme executive / power in each Colony to which they are brought, whether the prize &c. F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

A copy is in the Library of Congress, Letters to Washington, 89, folio 143. It measures 33 x 20 cms.



## July 4.

## Declaration of Independence.

109. In Congress, July 4, 1776. / A Declaration / By the Representatives of the / United States of America, / In General Congress assembled. / . . . / Philadelphia: Printed by John Dunlap.

F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

Three copies are in the Library of Congress. One was attached by wafers to the Manuscript Journals. The copy in the Washington Papers (Letters to Washington, 89, folio 203, was inclosed in a letter from John Hancock, dated July 6. Thus the paper must have been printed on the 5th or 6th, and is, in all probability the original issue. It measures 46 x 37½ cms.

110. In Congress, July 4, 1776. / A Declaration / By the Representatives of the / United States of America, / In General Congress assembled. / . . . . / [Philadelphia:] Printed by John Dunlap. [1776].

F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

A copy on vellum was found among the papers of David Rittenhouse, and is now in the American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia. It measures 55 x 41 cms. It has been described by I. Minis Hays in the *Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society*, XXXIX, 72.

111. In Congress, July 4, 1776. / A Declaration by the Representatives of the United States / of America, in General Congress assembled / . . .

F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

Printed in double column. A copy is in the Du Simitière Collection, Library Company of Philadelphia. It measures 28½ x 27½ cms. See Hays, above.

112. In / Congress, / July 4, 1776. / A Declaration / By the / Representatives / of the / United States of America, / In General Congress assembled. [With the order of the Council of Massachusetts for its publication.] Salem, Massachusetts-Bay: Printed by E. Russell, By Order of Authority. [1776.]

F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

A copy is in the Essex Institute, Salem, Mass., and another in the New York Public Library, Emmet Collection, No. 1532. It measures 49½ x 38 cms.

113. In Congress, July 4, 1776. / A Declaration / By the Representatives of the / United States of America / In General Congress Assembled. / America: Boston, Printed by John Gill, and Powars and Willis, in Queen-Street. [1776.]

F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

Two imprints have been found, one with and the other without the names of the printers. Copies are in the Massachusetts Historical Society. The one without the imprint measures 50 x 34 cms. That with the imprint measures 44½ x 28 cms.



114. In / Congress, / July 4, 1776. / A / Declaration / by the Representatives / of the / United States of America, / In General Congress assembled. F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

Printed in four columns. A copy is in the Essex Institute, Salem, Mass. It measures 42 x 34½ cms.

115. In Congress, July 4, 1776. / The Unanimous / Declaration / of the / Thirteen United States of America. / . . . / Baltimore, in Maryland: Printed by Mary Katharine Goddard. / [1777.] F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

This was published in accordance with a resolution of the Continental Congress, of January 18, 1777. A copy is in the Library of Congress, with signatures of John Hancock and Charles Thomson. It measures 53½ x 42 cms.

#### July 5.

##### Defense of New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

116. At a Conference of the Delegates in Congress for the States of New-York, New-Jersey and / Pennsylvania, of the Committee of Safety of Pennsylvania, the Committee of Inspection and / Observation for the City and Liberties of Philadelphia, and the Field Officers of the five Batta- / lions of the said City, &c. F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

Contains resolution of Congress calling the conference, July 4, 1776; the resolutions agreed upon by the conferees, Thomas McKean, Chairman; and the resolution of Congress approving the results of the conference, July 5, 1776.

A copy is in the Library of Congress, Letters to Washington, 89, folio 206. It measures 33 x 20 cms.

#### July 12.

##### First draft of the Articles of Confederation.

117. Articles / of Confederation and Perpetual Union, / Between the Colonies of /

New-Hampshire,	The Counties of New-Castle, Kent
Massachusetts-Bay,	and Sussex on Delaware,
Rhode-Island,	Maryland,
Connecticut,	Virginia,
New-York,	North-Carolina,
New Jersey,	South-Carolina, and
Pennsylvania,	Georgia.

[Philadelphia: 1776.]

F<sup>o</sup>. pp. 8.

Two copies of this issue are in the Library of Congress. One in the *Papers of the Continental Congress*, No. 47, folio 21, is endorsed by Charles Thomson, "First draught of Articles of Confederation as brought in by Committee, June [July]



12, 1776." It bears no other manuscript marks. The second copy is in the Jefferson Papers, and has, in his writing, the changes probably made in July or early in August 1776, for they differ somewhat from the form in which the document was reported on August 20, 1776. See in this volume under date July 12, 1776. The Jefferson copy measures 34 x 22 cms; that in the Papers of the Continental Congress has been slightly trimmed.

**July 19.**

**Resolve concerning volunteers.**

118. In Congress, July 19, 1776 [Philadelphia: 1776]. 4<sup>o</sup>. pp. (3).

**July 20.**

**Plan of Treaties.**

119. There shall be a firm, inviolable, and universal peace, and a true and / sincere friendship between A. and B. and the subjects of A. and B. / . . . . / . . . [Philadelphia: 1776]. F<sup>o</sup>. pp. 5.

Two copies of this report are in the Library of Congress, in the *Papers of the Continental Congress*, No. 47, folios 151 and 161. Both have manuscript changes of text. They measure 31 x 21½ cms.

**August 20.**

**Second Draft of the Articles of Confederation.**

120. Articles / of / Confederation and Perpetual Union, / Between the States of /

New-Hampshire,	The Counties of New-Castle, Kent
Massachusetts-Bay,	and Sussex on Delaware,
Rhode-Island,	Maryland,
Connecticut,	Virginia,
New-York,	North-Carolina,
New-Jersey,	South-Carolina, and
Pennsylvania,	Georgia.

[Philadelphia: 1776.]

F<sup>o</sup>. pp. 6.

Three copies of this issue are in the Library of Congress, in the *Papers of the Continental Congress*, No. 47, folios 29, 69 and 111. The first copy has many manuscript changes in the writing of Charles Thomson and Henry Laurens, and is endorsed: "Articles of Confederation as amended in a committee of the whole Congress, August 20, 1776, with the Amendments afterwards made in Congress" [i. e. in 1777]. The second copy also has changes of text in the writing of Charles Thomson, Henry Laurens and John Hancock (?), and is endorsed: "Articles of Confederation belonging to the Secretary of Congress, corrected at the table." The third copy has a small number of manuscript amendments, in the writing of Charles Thomson and John Hancock (?), and has no endorsement indicating its relation to the other copies. The copies are uniform in size, measuring 32½ x 21 cms.



**September 16.****Bounties &c.**

121. In Congress, / September 16, 1776. / [Organization of the army, bounties &c.] [Philadelphia: John Dunlap, 1776.]

F°. Broadside.

A copy is in the New York Public Library. Emmet, 5583.

**September 20.****Revised Articles of War.**

122. Rules / and / Articles / for the better / Government / of the / Troops / Raised, or to be raised and kept in pay by / and at the expence of the United / States of America. / Philadelphia: / Printed by John Dunlap, in Market-Street. / M,DCC, LXXVI. /

8°. pp. 36.

123. Rules and Articles for the better Government of the Troops raised, or to be raised, and kept in pay, by and at the Expence of the United States of America. In Congress, September 20, 1776. . . . [Philadelphia? 1776?]

12°. pp. 25.

124. Rules / and / Articles / for the Better / Government / of the / Troops / Raised, or to be raised and kept in pay / by and at the expence of the Uni- / ted States of / America. / Philadelphia, Printed: Fish-Kill, / Re-printed by S. Loudon. / M,DCC, LXXVI. /

12°. pp. 31.

A copy is in the New York Historical Society.

125. The / Rules / and / Articles / of / War, / For the Govern- ment / of the / Troops / of the / United States. / Extracted / from the / Journals of Congress / for the year 1776. / Baltimore: Printed by Philip Edwards. / MDCCXCIV.

8°. pp. 28.

**October 3.****Resolve to borrow \$5,000,000.**

126. In Congress, / October 3, 1776. [Philadelphia:] Printed by John Dunlap [1776].

F°. Broadside,

**November 18.****Continental Lottery.**

127. United States Lottery No. / Class the first. / This Ticket entitles the Bearer to receive / such Prize . . . . / [Philadelphia, 1776].

Broadside.



**November 24.****Reinforcing Washington's Army.**

128. In Congress, / November 23, 1776. / [Philadelphia: 1776.]

F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

See *Journals*, under date. The broadside was issued by the Council of Safety of Philadelphia. A copy is in the *Papers of the Continental Congress*, No. 69, I, folio 265. It measures 33½ x 21½ cms.

**December 10.****Address to the people.**

129. The Representatives of the United States of / America, in Congress assembled, / To the People in General, and particularly to the Inhabitants / of Pennsylvania, and the adjacent States. [Philadelphia: 1776.]

F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

130. Die Repräsentanten der Vereinigten Staaten / von America, im Congreß versammelt, / An das Volk überhaupt, und an die Einwohner Pennsylvaniens / und der angrenzenden Staaten insbesondere. / Gegeben zu Philadelphia, den 10ten December, 1776. / [Philadelphia: Henrich Miller. 1776.]

F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

**December 11.****Resolution for a Fast.**

131. [Resolved that it be recommended to all the United States, as soon as possible, to appoint a day of solemn fasting and humiliation . . . . .]

Baltimore: Printed by John Dunlap, [1776]. F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

A copy is in the New York Public Library, Emmet, 2093. The compiler of the "Calendar of the Emmet Collection" adds the following note: "The resolution was adopted on Dec. 11; the day following Congress adjourned to meet at Baltimore on the 20th. The fact that no Philadelphia edition of the broadside has been noted may perhaps be explained thereby, this Baltimore edition being the first, printed about the time of removal."

132. In Congress, December 11, 1776 / . . . . . / Hartford: Reprinted by Ebenezer Watson. F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

**December 23.****Accounting for militia money.**

133. In Congress. / December 23, 1776. / [Persons entrusted with money for the militia reinforcing the army are to transmit the receipts of the officers receiving the same to the paymaster general.]

Baltimore: Printed by John Dunlap, [1776]. 4<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

A copy is in the New York Public Library, Emmet, 5585.



December 30.

**Non-exportation of certain articles.**

134. In Congress. / December 30, 1776. [Baltimore:] Printed by John Dunlap, [1776.] F<sup>o</sup>. Broadside.

A copy is in the Library of Congress. It measures 32½ x 20 cms.

**Extracts from Journal relative to marine affairs.**

135. Extract / from the / Journals of Congress, / relative to the / Capture and Condemnation of Prizes, / and the / Fitting out Privateers; / together with the / Rules and Regulations of the Navy, / And Instructions to the / Commanders of Private Ships of War. / Philadelphia: / Printed by John Dunlap, / M, DCC, LXXVI.

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. (2), 45.

136. Extract uit de Dag-Registers van het Noord-Amerikaansche Congres, Betrekklyk tot het neemen en verbeurdverklaaren van Scheeps-Ordonnantien en Schikkingen der Zee-Vloort, en de Pryzen en het intrusten van Kaapers; benevens de Instructien voor de Bevelhebbers der Particuliere Oorlogschepen. Philadelphia. 1777.

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 48.

**Journal.**

**Sept. 1775, to April, 1776.**

137. Journal / of the / Proceedings of Congress / Held at Philadelphia, / From September 5, 1775, to April 30, 1776. / Philadelphia: Printed: / London: Reprinted for J. Almon, opposite / Burlington-House, Piccadilly / M, DCC, LXXVIII.

8<sup>o</sup>. pp. 202.

**Journal.**

**January to May, 1776.**

138. The / Journals / of the / Proceedings / of / Congress. / Held at Philadelphia, / from January to May, 1776. / Philadelphia: / Printed by R. Aitken, Bookseller, opposite the / London Coffee-house, Front-Street. / M, DCC, LXXVI. /

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“Collation: Title, 1 leaf; Journal for January, pp. 1-93; Title, 1 leaf; Journal for February, pp. 1-70; Title, 1 leaf; Journal for March, pp. 73-146; Journal for April, pp. 147-237. The second title is: The / Journals / of / Congress. / For February, 1776. / Philadelphia: / Printed and sold by R. Aitken, Front-Street. / M, DCC, LXXVI.

“This edition appears to have been issued in monthly parts. Aitken says of it, ‘I was ordered [in April 1776] to print no more in this large type, and to begin a new edition beginning the session of Congress, which rendered the sale



of the above abortive, meantime, I sold 80 copies. I also sold 14 reams of this edition to Benjamin Flower, for the use of the army for cartridges at 30s per ream.'” *Hildeburn*.

A copy is in the Pennsylvania Historical Society.

**Journal. 1776.**

139. Journals / of / Congress. / Containing / the / Proceedings / From January 1, 1776, to January 1, 1777. / Published by order of Congress. / Volume II. / York-Town: [Pennsylvania] / Printed by John Dunlap. / M, DCC, LXXVII. 8°. pp. (2), 520, xxvii.











































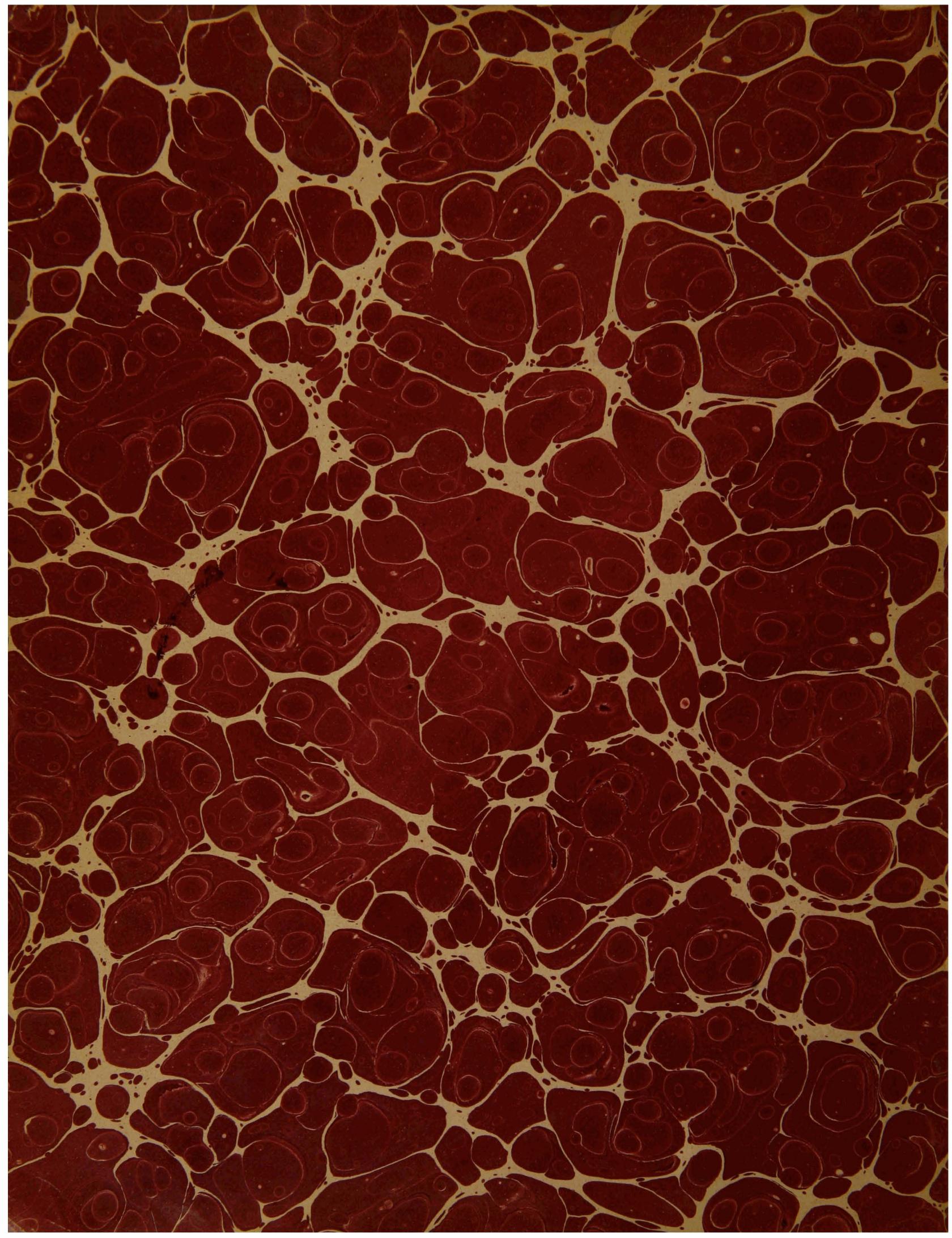


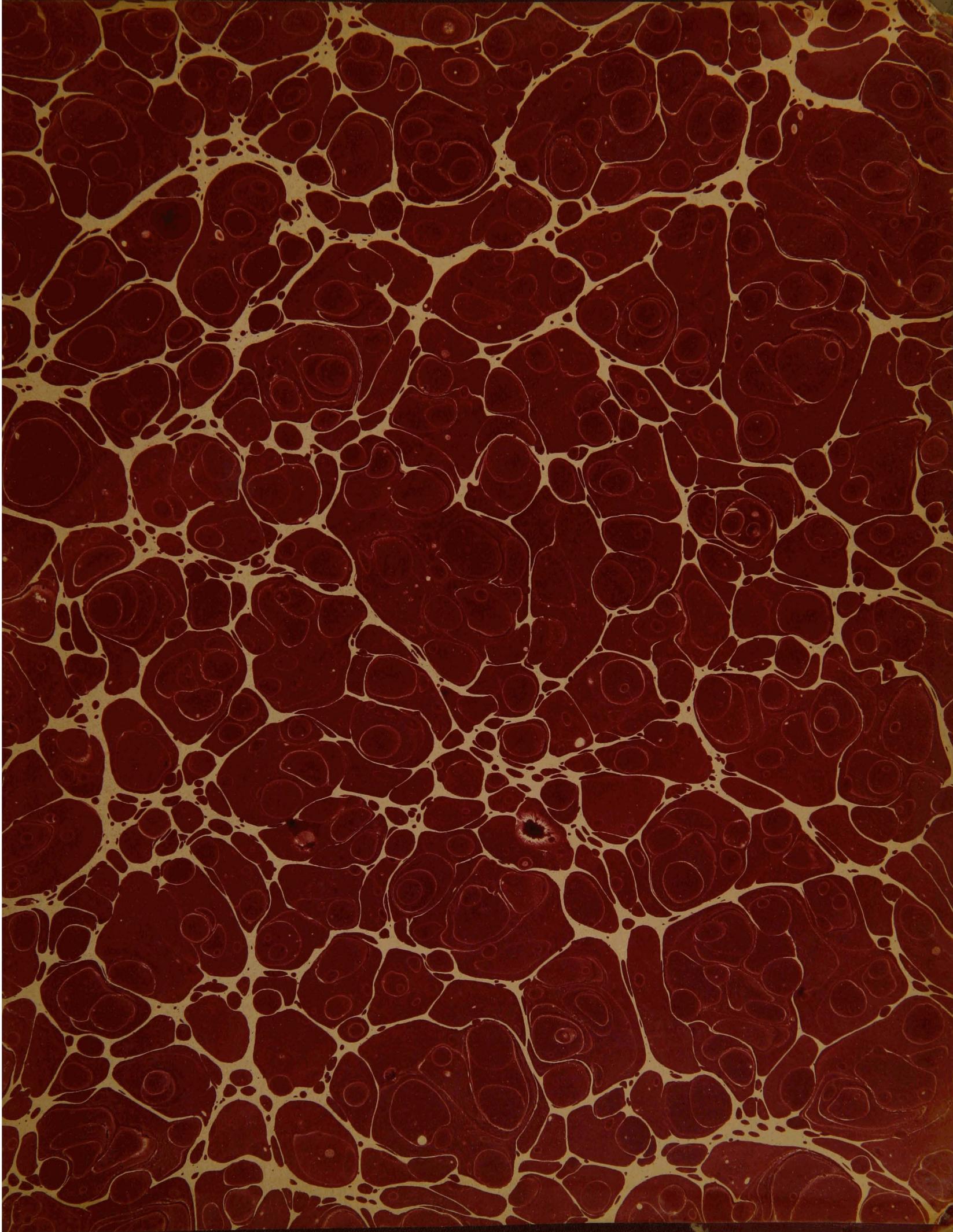












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